(d) and (e) Yes Sir. The Ministry is implementing a Wind Energy Programme which aims at utilizing wind energy mainly for generation of grid interactive wind power besides water pumping and battery charging. The programme involves survey and assessment of wind resources; implementation of demonstration and private sector projects; development of infrastructure; research and development and policy support. 211 sites have been identified as potential sites for setting up of wind power projects in 13 States and Union Territories. Grid Interactive Wind Power installed capacity aggregating 2905 MW have been set up so far in potential States as commercial projects through private investment. About 1100 water pumping wind mills and 360 KW aggregate capacity of aerogenerators and wind solar hybrid systems have also been installed so far in the country.

Recommendations of National Security Council

2143. DR. AKHILESH DAS: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Security Council has outlined steps that could save the country 200 million litres of petrol, 400 MW of power during peak use, 8 million tones of wood and million kilowatt hour (Kwh) of electricity each year;

(b) if so, the recommendations made by the NSC, as contained in the report titled "Harnessing Energy-Saving Potential in India" and the estimated cost thereof; and

(c) the steps taken and being taken to implement the report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Loss of electricity in Delhi

2144. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General for 2002-03 indicating that Delhi Government suffered a loss of over Rs. 6,000 crore due to decisions made during the unbundling of Delhi Vidyut Board, especially relating significant dilution of transmission and distribution loss targets;

(b) if so, whether any responsibility has been fixed and persons identified; and

(c) whether any pecuniary penalties been imposed on such officials?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) According to information made available by the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi certain observation has been made by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India in their report ending March, 2003 but it is not correct to say that Delhi Government has suffered a loss due to decisions made during the unbundling of the Delhi Vidyut Board. Certain modifications were carried out in the original Transfer Scheme/Policy Directions including reduction of Transmission and Distribution Loss (Aggregate Technical and Commercial Loss) targets by the Government, based on the recommendations made by the Core Committee.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Pong Dam in Himachal Pradesh

†2145. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the construction of Pong Dam in Kangra district of Himachal Pradesh, an agreement was reached under which a Shah canal was to be constructed in Punjab which was then to be used for irrigation in Himachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that this canal has not been built so far in Punjab; and

(c) if so, whether it does not amount to the violation of the conditions of the agreement and if so, the efforts made by the Government of India to construct Shah canal and the results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Transitional solution to revive Dabhol Power Project

2146. SHRI MURLI DEORA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are exploring a transitional solution to revive the beleaguered Dabhol Power Project;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.